

Political Donation Scam



People who plan to donate money to their favorite politician this election season should be careful they're giving cash to the candidate and not a crook.

In the Political Donation Scam, thieves pose as campaign workers and call people seeking contributions. The fraudsters may spoof a candidate's phone number and even use recordings of the politician or a purported virtual town hall to make the ruse appear legitimate.

At the end of the call, the thieves ask victims to pledge money by providing a credit card number.

To learn about other frauds, visit <http://da.lacounty.gov/community/fraud-alerts>



Helpful Tips

- If you want to contribute to a political campaign, visit the candidate's official website or call his or her campaign headquarters.
- Do not provide credit card or financial information over the phone to an unknown person.

IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW HAS BEEN THE VICTIM OF A SCAM, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.



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